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**Mail Stop Patent Application**

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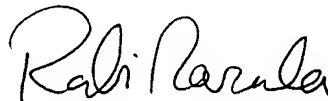
- (X) Specification in 29 pages.
- (X) Drawings in 9 sheets.
- (X) This application claims the priority benefit from Provisional Application No. 60/440,765 filed on January 16, 2003.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

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The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27. The fees are calculated below:

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Basic Utility		2001 (\$385)		\$385
Excess Claims > 20	56 - 20 = 36	2202 (\$9)	36 x 9 =	\$324
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